EXPERIENCED TRIAL ATTORNEY DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CRIMINAL DIVISION NARCOTIC AND DANGEROUS DRUG SECTION

About the Office:

The Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Section (NDDS) supervises and has responsibility for enforcing federal statutes pertaining to narcotic drugs and other controlled substances. The section advises the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice and other federal officials involved in drug enforcement on all matters related to federal narcotics law enforcement including proposed and enacted legislation, policy, enforcement initiatives, and criminal and civil litigation. The section has direct litigation responsibilities in significant investigations and prosecutions targeting national and international narcotics trafficking and money laundering organizations.

Responsibilities and Opportunity Offered:

NDDS is seeking two experienced attorneys for the Special Operations Division - commonly known as "SOD" - a joint DOJ, DEA, FBI, U.S. Customs, and IRS program. SOD attorneys support and coordinate investigations targeting the most significant national and international drug trafficking organizations. SOD's mission is to identify, disrupt, and dismantle the command and control elements of such organizations. To accomplish this, SOD identifies existing, related investigations-nationally and, in some cases, internationally and develops a coordinated, multi-district investigative and prosecutive strategy.

SOD-coordinated cases have involved Assistant United States Attorney (AUSAs) from as many as fourteen judicial districts and dozens of federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies and, increasingly, have included foreign prosecutors and investigators. To maximize the effectiveness of such large investigations, SOD attorneys work closely with AUSAs and investigate agencies to develop a national strategy in which intelligence and evidence is exchanged, investigative actions are coordinated, and finally, the indictments, arrests, and prosecutions are planned and coordinated.

Qualifications:

Required: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia, and have at least three years of post-J.D. legal experience, preferably an AUSA. **Preferred**: Extensive experience in drug-related prosecution is required. Specialized experience in wiretap-related investigations and/or prosecutions is highly desirable.

<u>Travel</u>: Occasional travel will be required.

Salary Information: GS-13: \$69,054 - \$89,774 per annum

GS-14: \$81,602 - \$106,086 per annum GS-15: \$95,987 - \$124,783 per annum

Location: The position is located in Chantilly, VA

Relocation Expenses: Relocation expenses are not authorized.

Note: Applicants interested in a two year detail (with reimbursable benefits) are welcome to apply.

Submission Process and Deadline Date:

Applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, a writing sample (not to exceed 10

pages), and a current performance appraisal (if applicable). Please send your resume to:

U.S. Department of Justice Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Section 1400 New York Avenue NW, Room 11430 Washington, DC 20530 Attn: Charlene Briggs-Plunkett

No telephone calls please. This position is open until filled.

Current salary and years of experience determine the appropriate salary level.

Internet Sites:

This and selected other legal position announcements can be found on the Internet at: www.usdoj.gov/oarm/attvancies.

For more information about the Criminal Division and the Narcotics and Dangerous Drug Section, please visit the Criminal Division Web page at: http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/criminal-home.html

Department Policies:

The U.S. Department of Justice is an Equal Opportunity/Reasonable Accommodation Employer. It is the policy of the Department to achieve a drug-free workplace, and the person selected will be required to pass a drug test to screen for illegal drug use. Employment is also contingent upon the satisfactory completion of a background investigation adjudicated by the Department of Justice.

The Department of Justice welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities and will reasonably accommodate the needs of those persons. The Department is firmly committed to satisfying its affirmative obligations under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, to ensure that persons with disabilities have every opportunity to be hired and advanced.